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July 19, 2011

LaVoy Taylor  
365 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street  
Montpelier, Idaho 83254

Subject: Request for Amended Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations,  
LaVoy Taylor, North Eden Stone, S/033/0004, Rich County, Utah

Dear Mr. Taylor:

After the site inspection Lynn Kunzler made with you of your proposed operations, the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining has been made aware that most of the area you showed Mr. Kunzler, as marked with metal posts, is on lands and minerals owned and administered by the School and Institutional and Trust Lands Administration (SITLA). As such, you will need to obtain a lease from that agency prior to beginning operations on their land. The Division contacted John Blake with SITLA regarding this matter and was told a lease had been applied for and that they had sent a letter to you stating their conditions of the lease. You were to reply back in writing to accept the conditions to finalize approval of the lease. The Division was informed this week that the timeframe for acceptance has lapsed, and that SITLA has withdrawn the lease.

You will also need to amend your Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations to correctly show the surface and mineral ownership, provide a corrected surface map showing the location of disturbances, and include a description of any improvements to be made to the existing access road to the site. The Division has been told by SITLA that since they do not have a public right-of-way to the site, you need to provide a copy of an agreement with the land owners of the adjacent surface that would be used for access to any SITLA lands. Approval of the required amendment may also require an increase in the reclamation surety amount that was previously approved.

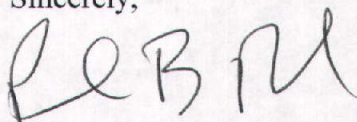
Please note, the Division has yet to receive a copy of the cultural resources survey. Approval cannot be granted until it is submitted and the Division can make a determination of effect to which the State Historic Preservation Officer concurs. Please note as well, that until the final approval is issued, land-disturbing activities are not allowed.



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If you have any questions regarding this letter, please call me at 801-538-5261 or Lynn Kunzler at 801-538-5310. In reply, please refer to file number S/033/0004. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'PBBM', written in a cursive style.

Paul B. Baker  
Minerals Program Manager

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Cc: John Blake

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